prevention of crime against women and other vulnerable sections of society. The measures suggested include:

- sensitizing of police officials charged with the responsibility of protecting the women.
- vigorously enforce the existing legislation relating to dowry violence.
- set up women police cells in police stations and exclusive women police stations.
- provide institutional support to the victims of violence.
- provide counselling to victims of rape.
- take measures to eliminate trafficking in women. States have also been advised to constitute State Advisory Committees to advise on trafficking matters.
- ensure wider recruitment of women police officers.
- train police personnel in special laws dealing with atrocities against women.
- setting up of Fast Track Courts
- setting up of Family Courts
- appointment of Dowry Prohibition Officers and notification of Rules under the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961

Hostels for working women

2287. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to construct more hostels for the working women in the country, to address their main grievances of provision of safe and good accommodation in the cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether provision of a day care centre for children in the working women's hostels has also been introduced; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It has been decided to revamp the Scheme in the Eleventh Plan (2007-12) in order to achieve a higher satisfaction rate for the demand for such hostel accommodation. 100 new hostels are proposed to be sanctioned in the Eleventh Plan (2007-12) all over the country.

(c) and (d) Day care centre for the children in the working women's hostel is already provided in the Scheme.

Sanctioning of new creches

2288. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned 30,902 new creches during 2006-07 to provide daycare services to the children of working women and

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating those proposed to be set up in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) A total number of 30,902 creches have been sanctioned since inception of the creche/day care services scheme which include 13,295 creches sanctioned during 2006-07 under Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme.

(b) Statement showing the number of sanctioned creches, State-wise, is annexed (*See* below). Further, in the State of Orissa, 95 new creches have been sanctioned in August, 2007.

Statement

State-wise number of creches up to 31.3.2007

Sl. No.	Name of the State/ UT	No. of creches sanctioned
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	3902
2	Arunachal Pradesh	253
3	Assam	937
4	Bihar	1180
5	Chhattisgarh	766
6	Delhi	466
7	Goa	68
8	Gujarat	1213
9	Haryana	894
10	Himachal Pradesh	771
11	Jammu and Kashmir	593
12	Jharkhand	551
13	Karnataka	1564
14	Kerala	1035